

Meeting Notes
Transportation & Land Use Work Group #1
October 15, 2:30
City-County Building Rm. 656

Attendees:

- Madeleine Weil, City
- Beth Reed, City
- Kelley Segars, TPO
- Ellen Zavisca, TPO
- Mark Donaldson, MPC
- Jonathan Overly
- Keith Kahl, ORNL
- Joe Hultquist, City Council
- Cindy McGinnis, KAT

Ideas about how to contextualize inventory data / appropriate time frames / indicators for projections:

- Compare to national / state / other cities.
- Compare VMT growth and fuel consumption to population growth.
- VMT illustration – compare with known distances, i.e. to the moon, around the world.
- Include non-attainment pollutants (PM, NOx) in inventories.
- What % of total is city government portion.
- MPC's sustainability indicators report will provide useful benchmarks.

Strategy Template: Intended to provide guidance for proposal development.
Recommendations to include determination of evaluation metrics as a component of program design.

Discussion of proposal concepts:

- ORNL can probably help develop a proposal for improving the efficiency of the City's fleet. Research shows that Denver's green fleets plan has been copied elsewhere – model policy.
- Develop tools / resources for community members to make alternative transportation decisions, i.e. costs of driving, health benefits of walking/biking.
- Complete street concepts include sidewalks, greenways, bike lanes, pedestrian-friendly intersection design. Complete streets plus density = more people using transportation alternatives. South Waterfront plan contains first street design standards in Knoxville.
- KAT's mitigation related to the new transit center includes an automatic vehicle locator system (AVL) – will increase reliability and consistency of service. Bus turnover will result in a dramatically cleaner fleet. Diesel particulate filter retrofits for older buses.
- Clean fuels already being used in Knoxville/Knox County (spreadsheet of users distributed). Good opportunities to increase usage. Tennessee is turning into biofuel state.

Next steps: Working group members will develop proposals. Beth will pull together compilation of best practices from other jurisdictions.

Next Meeting: November 5th, 2:30, Rm. 656 City-County Building.